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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

## **IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 1, 14, 19 and 37 without prejudice or disclaimer to the subject matter contained therein.

Please amend the claims as follows:

, 2. (Amended) A system for rupturing an encapsulated adhesive contained

in sheet media, comprising:

a feeder for the sheet media; and